

that profit in order to make my business go and to create new jobs, to have new markets, to do more. I have felt, personally, the effects of Federal laws and regulations. I did not like it when I was in business and I surely do not like it now. I think it is high time that the Congress experience firsthand the consequences of the laws it passes.

Lincoln spoke of government of the people, by the people, for the people. If we in Congress continue passing laws by which we need not abide, we will not be living up to Lincoln's expectation nor that of the American people today.

As was made clear at the polls in November of last year, the voters believe that Congress has given itself special treatment. Members of Congress seem to be insensitive to the actual impact and costs that we impose on the people who are trying to make this economy go.

Mr. President, we must pass the Congressional Accountability Act. We must let the people know that we in Congress are their representatives. That we are not going to be part of a government which just extends privilege to a very few and rests its heavy hand on the rest.

By applying the same rules to ourselves that we do to the rest of the country, Congress will better understand the pain of unfunded mandates. Congress will be forced to comply with the thousands of regulations regarding Government workplace safety and recordkeeping. Congress will be forced to experience the financial burden and the nuisance value of some of the laws that have been passed through the years in this Hall. Members of Congress will be made to ask themselves, how is this law going to affect me? Imagine what this will do to the content of the bills that come hereafter.

I hope that Congress will show that we did make a difference in November of last year by voting for the Congressional Accountability Act. I am going to try to vote to reduce the number of unwanted, unneeded, and downright destructive laws in the future because I think when Congress starts thinking about what impact this is going to have on the way we are doing business right here, maybe we will take a different approach. Once we have a taste of the bitter medicine we are putting out, maybe we can rewrite the prescription.

We have an opportunity to put Congress back in touch with what this country truly needs. Less regulation, fewer laws, and less overall Federal meddling.

So I ask my colleagues in the Senate to do what I think should be the very first order of business when we have this breath of fresh air that has gone across our country, and when the people have spoken, that we say to the people "message received," and vote for S. 2, the Congressional Accountability Act that will make Congress understand and live with the laws that everybody else in America has been liv-

ing with for year after year, day after day, month after month, and maybe, just maybe, it will affect the overall output of this body.

Thank you, Mr. President.

Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. PACKWOOD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-5. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, case number 92-1; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-6. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, case number 92-13; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-7. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, case number 92-83; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-8. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, case number 94-06; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-9. A communication from the Attorney General, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act relative to the Fees and Expenses of Witnesses Appropriation for fiscal year 1986; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-10. A communication from the Architect of the Capitol, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of expenditures for the period April 1, 1994 through September 30, 1994; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. PACKWOOD, from the Committee on Finance:

Robert E. Rubin, of New York, to be Secretary of the Treasury.

(The above nomination was reported with the recommendation that he be confirmed, subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second time by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. AKAKA:

S. 186. A bill to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act with respect to pur-

chases from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve by entities in the insular areas of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. MCCAIN (for himself and Mr. BRYAN):

S. 187. A bill to provide for the safety of journeymen boxers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself and Mr. BRADLEY):

S. 188. A bill to establish the Great Falls Historic District in the State of New Jersey, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. EXON:

S. 189. A bill to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to provide that any concurrent resolution on the budget that contains reconciliation directives shall include a directive with respect to the statutory limit on the public debt, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Budget and the Committee on Governmental Affairs, jointly, pursuant to the order of August 4, 1977, with instructions that if one Committee reports, the other Committee have thirty days to report or be discharged.

By Mr. PRESSLER (for himself and Mrs. KASSEBAUM):

S. 190. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to exempt employees who perform certain court reporting duties from the compensatory time requirements applicable to certain public agencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

By Mr. EXON:

S.J. Res. 14. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution relating to Federal budget procedures; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. PACKWOOD:

S. Res. 36. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Finance; from the Committee on Finance; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

S. Res. 37. A resolution designating February 2, 1995, and February 1, 1996, as "National Women and Girls in Sports Day"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. AKAKA:

S. 186. A bill to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act with respect to purchases from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve by entities in the insular areas of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

THE EMERGENCY PETROLEUM SUPPLY ACT

• Mr. AKAKA. Mr. President, today I am introducing the Emergency Petroleum Supply Act, a bill to ensure that Hawaii has access to the strategic petroleum reserve during an oil supply disruption. The Emergency Petroleum Supply Act would guarantee Hawaii oil—at a fair price—and give tankers bound for Hawaii priority loading during an emergency.